



(l-r): Rebecca Ridenour Chilson, Jeremy Chilson, Dalton Love, Steve Dennis, Joe Kioski, Brian Dennis, Logan Douglass, Amanda Maxa, Morgan Douglass, Terry Ornelas, Toni Ornelas, Richard Maxa, Sue Peterson, Don Burnham, Hunter Wonsey, Dave Love. Not pictured Diane Korienek and Courtney Cantwell

Logan Douglass Completed Eagle Scout Project

by Dawn D Levey

ELSIE - In March of 2023, Logan Douglass attended the board meeting of the Elsie Area Food Pantry with an idea of building a sign for the Food Pantry for his Eagle Scout Project. Logan had heard from Aunt Diane Korienek, one of the Food Pantry Produce volunteers, that the sign was something that was needed to make people aware of the days and hours they were open.



Logan Douglass presented Sue Peterson, from the Elsie Food bank with a check for \$1,680.

Logan is a member of Troop 585 from Ovid. His scout leaders are Dave Love, Steve Dennis, Arthur Jones, and Rebecca Ridenour Chilson.

After receiving the approval of the Board, Logan set out on a mission Starting with completing the necessary paperwork, getting the approval of the Scouts, and earning money for the project. He took back hundreds of pop cans, held a pancake breakfast, and asked local businesses and organizations to support his project by donating funds.

The sign was installed on Saturday, October 7th. In addition to the sign, Logan repainted the existing Food Pantry sign, which was looking weathered. He purchased a metal tool box and organized all the magnetic letters for the new sign as well as constructing a sandwich board sign for Produce Days. Finally, he presented the Elsie Area Food Pantry with

\$1680.00 which will go towards completing the lighting on the sign.

The Elsie Area Food Pantry would like to thank Logan for all he did for the Elsie Area Food Pantry and congratulate him on earning his Eagle Scout.

Murder Mystery Dinner & Auction a Success

submitted by Piper E. Brewer

Over 100 guests were a part of a night of mystery and intrigue they will never forget! The Shiawassee Arts Center presented a quintessential whodunit 1920's Murder Mystery Dinner & Auction at Patrick Lombardi's 1890 Victorian home in Ovid, on the fall equinox September 23rd.

The event included a buffet dinner and wine on the grounds, tour of the historic home, silent auction in the carriage house all the while the murder mystery unfolded. Dressing for the occasion was encouraged. Sponsors for the fundraiser event included Mr. Lombardi, Applebee Oil & Propane, Schluckebier Hood Wealth Management Group, Simpson's Greenhouse, Village Food Pride and Hon. Clark & Linda Harder. An original watercolor



painting of the home by artist, Lisabeth Curnow, was presented to Mr. Lombardi. Students from Ovid-Elsie High School volunteered during the event.

(Above): Victorian home owned by Patrick Lombardi.

Photos by Michelle Ladiski



Fall Tailgate at Leonard Elementary

submitted by Ashlee Murray

The cold and rainy night did not stop Leonard families from coming out to enjoy a Fall themed family night. On Thursday, October 19 nearly 500 students and families from Ovid Elsie Little Learners, KEEZ Preschool and Leonard Elementary gathered for an evening filled with hotdogs, hayrides, fire trucks and fun. Students traveled to different stations throughout the evening to fill their passports to earn a free Marauders Football ticket. Students tested their athletics with a football throwing competition and tried their concentration with an egg race.

Other activities for the night included, Candy Corn Ring Toss, Jack-O-Lantern Making, Face Painting, and a photo opportunity in front of this year's kindness banner.

The high school art department designed color by number posters for students and their families to paint. They will be hung throughout the school for all to enjoy. Attendees were also able to visit the Ovid and Elsie Public Library's stations to learn about what programs they have to offer.

Ovid-Middlebury Fire Department joined in the fun, by opening their trucks for a hands-on tour of their truck. They also surprised each preschooler and elementary student with their very own toy fire truck.

The evening rounded out with a cook-out served in the cafeteria and a hay ride around the school. Door prizes were given away that included baskets filled with OE gear, sports equipment and other amazing goodies. Winners of these baskets were Grant G. of Preschool, Lansten S. of Kindergarten, Noah W. of First Grade, and Charlee P. of Second Grade. It was a wonderful night had by all!!

The tailgate party would not have been possible without the help of the Leonard Elementary Staff, KEEZ preschool staff, Ovid-Elsie high school volunteers and all of the others that volunteered their time.



Elsie - Trick-or-Treat hours will be held from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 31 2023. The EAFD will be holding the annual Halloween Party afterward at the Fire Station,

140 W. Maple St. Elsie. They will be providing hot dogs, cider, games and more.

Ovid - Tuesday, October 31, 2023, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. Halloween Party, Hosted by the Ovid Lions Club, 7pm at the Lions/VFW Hall, downtown Ovid, immediately following trick-er-treat. Costume Judging at 7:30pm, prizes for top 5. Games, Hot Dogs, Chips, Cider and Donuts.

St. Johns - Duplain Church of Christ, 5565 E. Colony Rd., St. Johns. will be hosting Trunk-Or-Treat on Tuesday, October 31, 6-8pm. Join us for Trunk-or-Treat this Halloween!

There will be games, inflatables, prizes, snacks, and lots of candy!

An Event So Good It's Scary - Tuesday, October 31, 2023, 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Daytime trick or treating for young children at various businesses in St. Johns. Participating businesses with have a "pumpkin" sign on their store window/door.

St. Johns - The trick-or-treat hours are from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 31, 2023. The beginning and ending of the candy gathering period will be signaled by the fire whistle. Please use caution when driving as there will be lots of children running door to door to collect candy.

Owosso - Tuesday, October 31, 2023. Trick or Treating hours are from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Ashley - Tuesday, October 31, 2023 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Laingsburg - Tuesday, October 31, 2023. Trick or Treating from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Fire Whistle will sound at 6pm.

Social

Ovid Public Library

The Ovid Public Library will be closing at 5:00 on Tuesday, October 31. We will reopen at 10:00 on Wednesday, November 1. Have a safe and happy Halloween everybody!

Ashley Schools Craft Sale and Flea Market

submitted by Deann Smith

Ashley Community Schools Science Department is hosting a Craft Sale & Flea Market on Nov. 11, 2023 9am-2pm. We have room for more vendors and it is open to the public. Contact dsmith@ashleyschools.net or call 989-847-4000 for more information.

Annual Ham & Turkey Dinner

Chapin United Methodist Church
at 19848 S. Chapin Rd.
Saturday, November 4th.
Serving begins at 4:30 until
6:30p.m.

Menu consists of ham & turkey,
mashed potatoes, dressing, corn,
coleslaw, rolls, desserts and beverage.

Take Outs Available - Free Will Offering
Proceeds to church improvement fund.



FOMR Meeting

submitted by Jon Morrison

The Friends of the Maple River (FOMR) are having a meeting to learn more about the potential fate of the Elsie Dam that recently experienced a breach. Dawn Levey, clerk of Duplain Township will provide an explanation of the current state of the dam and avenues that Duplain Township is considering to achieve a long term resolution to the situation. The Township expects to need various community support to implement whatever solution is pursued.

The FOMR will meet at Duplain Township Hall on Wednesday, November 1, 2023 at 6:30 PM. The township hall is located at 145 W Main Street, Elsie, MI 48831. Following the presentation by Dawn Levey, there will be a business meeting.



Quilt Show in Ovid

Elaine's Too Quilt Shop in conjunction with the United Church will be hosting their annual quilt show on Saturday, November 4th from 10am-3pm. The event will be held in the United Church Fellowship Hall and a lunch will be available. The admission cost is \$5.00.

A quilt from the 30's with local signatures, will be on display.

Those wishing to have quilts on display should bring theirs to Elaine's Too October 30th - November 3rd.



Applications for Christmas Baskets

submitted by Holly Hibbard

The applications for the Ovid-Elsie Christmas Assistance will be available starting Monday, November 6, 2023. The applications will be available at the following locations:

Ovid – Leonard Elementary, Ovid City Hall and Ovid Public Library

Elsie – E.E. Knight Elementary and Elsie Village Hall

Families MUST live in the Ovid-Elsie School District and must not be receiving holiday assistance from another agency. Applications must be turned in at one of the above listed locations by Monday, December 4th.

Free Food Giveaway

The Oakley Community Church will be hosting a Free Drive-Up Mobile Food Pantry on Friday, November 3rd beginning at 10am. The event will be held rain or shine. The church is located at 327 S. Main Street, Oakley, MI 48649. For more information call Sharon at 989-661-7976 or email her at Sharonex24@gmail.com. A free food giveaway is also held the first and third Tuesday of every month at the church from 9am-10:30am.



Veteran's Day Ceremony at Elsie American Legion Post 502

submitted by Brian Valentine

The Elsie American Legion Post 502 will be conducting a Veteran's Day Ceremony on Saturday November 11 at 11:00 am. All Veterans and Public are invited to attend this brief but Patriotic salute to ALL past and present veterans and active military personnel. Questions? Call Commander Brian Valentine at 989-307-9856 or email at elsiepostcommander@gmail.com



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Monday

Public lunch from 11:30-12:30 (\$6) add pie for an additional \$2.
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Tuesday and Friday

Lunch is served at 12. (\$4 suggested donation) Bingo is at 12:30 (\$2)

Monday, Tuesday 9am-3pm and Friday 9am-2pm we are open for you to come socialize, play a game or put together a puzzle.
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5th Annual Holiday Along the River

submitted by Piper Brewer

The 35th annual SAC Holiday Along the River opens to the public Sunday, November 5 and runs through Sunday, December 31. Over 80 Michigan artists are displaying and selling their original artwork, unique gift items and holiday decorations. Shoppers are sure to find gifts at affordable prices for everyone on their gift lists.

Join us at the opening reception, November 5, 1-3pm for refreshments, shopping, piano music by Richard Lahmann and "A Step Back in Time" book signing by Piper Brewer. SAC members are invited to attend the member opening reception Saturday, November 4, 5-7pm with food, drinks and "A Step Back in Time" book signing by Piper Brewer. Members will receive 20% off on one Holiday Show purchase during the reception. The show is generously sponsored by Memorial Healthcare with outdoor decorating by Sunburst Gardens.

Special events during the show include:

Children's Day, Sunday, December 3, 1-3pm with art activities, refreshments, live music, book signings, gingerbread house display and a visit by Santa.

Three children's Gingerbread House classes Thursday, November 30, 4-5:30pm, Saturday, December 2, 10-11:30am and also 1-2:30pm.



Olivia with Glass Ornament of Curwood Castle + Copy of "A Step Back in Time" Book

Adult fused glass pendant class, Art That Sizzles, Wednesday, November 16, 6:30-8pm.

Heat Up Your Creativity! Adult Class, Tuesday, November 21, 6-8pm, painted (glazed) pottery. Choose "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas Plate" or "Snowman Mug", plus a "Melly Snowman Ornament".

Paint Between the Wines! Adult Class, Friday, December 15, 6-8pm. Create a holiday themed step-by-step acrylic painting. Bring your own wine to sip while you paint!

Celebrating Curwood Castle 100 Years!

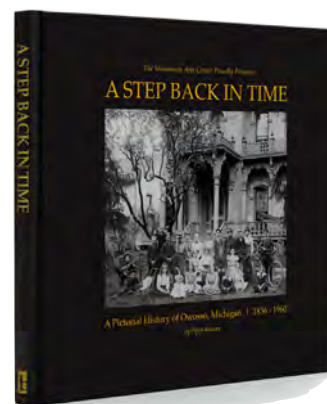
Bundle SAC's Curwood Castle Glass Ornament with "A Step Back in Time" A Pictorial History of Owosso, Michigan 1836-1966", by Piper Brewer and receive \$10 off your purchase.

SAC gift cards make great gifts. The Arts Center is available for rent for special events, meetings and holiday parties.

The Shiawassee Arts Center, located at 206 Curwood

Castle Drive in Owosso, is open Monday through Friday 10am-5pm and weekends 12-3pm. The Arts Center features the artwork of local and statewide artists in eight galleries including the Frieske Gallery and a specialty Gift Shop. The public is welcome and there is no admission charge. SAC, which is celebrating its 51st anniversary in 2023, is a non-profit organization whose mission is to educate,

entertain and enrich the quality of life in our community. For more information call the Arts Center at 989.723.8354 or visit www.shiawasseearts.org.



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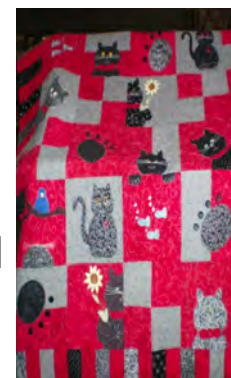
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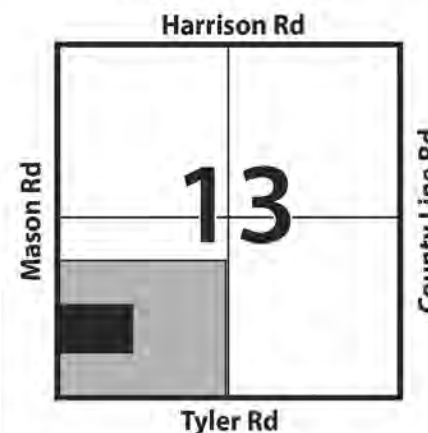
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Lois Elizabeth Johnson

Lois Elizabeth Johnson, age 96, of Elsie, MI, passed away Thursday, October 19, 2023, at Hospice House of Shiawassee County, Owosso, MI.

Lois was born in Suttons Bay, Michigan on May 17, 1927, the daughter of Martin and Beatrice (Hulet) Shumski. She graduated from Ludington High School. On June 29, 1946, she married LeRoy Johnson in Ludington, Michigan. LeRoy passed away on June 26, 1995.

She was a homemaker, who enjoyed knitting, crocheting, and canning. Lois enjoyed sitting on her porch watching traffic in Elsie and speaking to everyone that went to the post office.

She is survived by her children: Pattie and Gary Vandervest of Florida; son, Brett Johnson of Elsie, Michigan; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; one sister Connie and Marvin Coker; step-sister Sally and Jerry Silver; stepbrother Danny and Sandy Bentze. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband LeRoy, one son Terry Lee Johnson, one sister Shirley Biemer, and one brother Martin Shumski.

Funeral Services were held at Smith Family Funeral Homes, Elsie, Michigan on Sunday, October 22, 2023. Burial has taken place at Lakeview Cemetery in Ludington, Michigan.

Online condolences can be sent to www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com. The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes, Elsie, Michigan.



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Obituaries

Glen Carl Whitford

Glenn Carl Whitford, age 91, farmer and life-long St. Johns resident, passed away September 27, 2023 at Sparrow Hospital, Lansing.

Glenn was born November 3, 1931, to the late Carl and Eleanor (Rademacher) Whitford. He graduated from Rodney B Wilson High School in 1949, and served in the US Air Force during the Korean War, mostly stationed in remote bases in Japan.

Glenn and Lois enjoyed taking many driving trips around the country with their fifth wheel camper especially to the air show in Osh Kosh, WI, snowmobiling and vacationing at their cottage at Houghton Lake and spending time during winters in Florida.

He is survived by his wife of 71 years Lois Whitford and children: Rick (Marilyn) Whitford of St Johns, MI, Liane (Lial) Knight of Marshall, WI, Mary (Al Dewey) Prowant of St Johns, MI, Paula (Bill) Curtis of Richland, MI, and Michelle (Berry) Roll of St Johns, MI; who will miss his quiet, unwavering love and support and good-natured sense of humor and easy laugh; also survived by grandchildren: Alison Swain, Kelly Lange, Jamie West, Britney Roll, Gavin Knight, Christin Ankney, Ryan Curtis, Alvin Dewey, Jeremiah Dewey, Becky Gott, Emily Dewey, Shannon Swanson, and Olivia Dewey; 27 great grandchildren and 18 great-great grandchildren; and special kitty Cali. He is also survived by sister-in-law Dorothy Scharnweber, brother-in-law Merritt Scharnweber, and brother-in-law Richard Smith, and many nieces and nephews. He is predeceased by his parents, infant daughter, brothers: Gerald and Jack Whitford, sister Janet Smith, and sister-in-law Joan Rennells.

Special thanks to wonderful caregivers Erin Csapos, Karla Bradley, Lyla Zell, Tina Sawdy, Stacey Johnstone and Candace Cramer.

A service for the family will be held at a later date. The family requests memorial gifts in Glenn's name are made to the Capital Area Humane Society. Online condolences can be sent to www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com.

The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes - Osgood Chapel, St. Johns, Michigan.



Lois May Whitford

Lois May Whitford, age 89, of St. Johns, MI, passed away on October 20, 2023, at Oliver Woods Retirement Village in Owosso, MI.

Lois was born on March 3, 1934, to the late Ernest and Edna (Birdsley) Henning. She graduated from Rodney B Wilson High School in 1951. Lois married Glenn Whitford on January 14, 1952, in St. Johns, MI. They were married for seventy-one years until his passing in September of 2023.

Lois was a skilled quilter, and family and friends have enjoyed and slept under her "blankets of love" for many years. She was a wonderful cook and baker, and family members agreed her potato salad had a secret ingredient that was hard to replicate.

She drove school bus for St. Johns Public Schools for many years and made many friends in the school community. Lois and Glenn enjoyed taking many driving trips around the country with their fifth wheel camper, especially to the air show in Osh Kosh, WI, vacationing at their cottage at Houghton Lake and spending time during the winters in Florida. They were crossword puzzle fans and also enjoyed the most challenging of jigsaw puzzles.

She is survived by her children: Rick (Marilyn) Whitford of St. Johns, MI; Liane (Lial) Knight of Marshall, WI; Mary (Al Dewey) Prowant of St. Johns, MI; Paula (Bill) Curtis of Richland, MI; and Michelle (Berry) Roll of St. Johns, MI; who will miss her kindness and loving support. She is also survived by her grandchildren: Alison Swain, Kelly Lange, Jamie West, Britney Roll, Gavin Knight, Christin Ankney, Ryan Curtis, Alvin Dewey, Jeremiah Dewey, Becky Gott, Emily Dewey, Shannon Swanson, and Olivia Dewey; twenty-seven great-grandchildren and eighteen great-great grandchildren; and special kitty Cali. Lois also survived by her sister Dorothy Scharnweber, brother-in-law Merritt Scharnweber, brother-in-law Richard Smith, and many nieces and nephews. Lois maintained a special relationship with her quilting besties: Dorothy and Candy Scharnweber and Joanne Zimmerman. She was predeceased by her husband Glenn Whitford, her parents, infant daughter, brother Richard Henning, sister Joan Rennells, brothers-in-law: Gerald and Jack Whitford, sisters-in-law: Margaret Surdenik and Janet Smith.

Special thanks to her wonderful caregivers Erin Csapos, Karla Bradley, Lyla Zell, Tina Sawdy, Stacy Johnstone, and Candace Cramer.

A service for the family will be held at a later date.

The family requests memorial gifts in Lois's name made to the Capital Area Humane Society. Online condolences may be made at www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com.

The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes - Osgood Chapel, St. Johns, Michigan.



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Editorial

Daniel Lynn Goodrich

Daniel Lynn Goodrich, age 47, of St. Johns, MI, passed away Wednesday, October 18, 2023, at Sparrow Hospital in Lansing, MI.

Daniel was born in St. Johns, MI on February 28, 1976, the son of Edwin A. and Stella L. (Shumate) Goodrich. He was a graduate of Ovid-Elsie High School with the Class of 1995.

Spending time with his children brought him the greatest joy, he was very proud of his children, and their accomplishments. Dan helped all of his family, especially his sister. Dan's children received a text every night and he was persistent in maintaining the relationships that were important to him. Dan enjoyed putting historical military vehicle models together. He also enjoyed history documentaries, shooting at the gun range, and hunting. Dan was a member of Duplain Church of Christ. He will be remembered as a hard worker.

He is survived by his daughter Amber Goodrich; daughter Autumn and her fiancé Devin Kruger; son Anthony Goodrich; father Edwin Goodrich; sister Diana Goodrich; brother Andy and Erica Goodrich; grandmother Jeanette Shumate; aunt Tammy and Tom Denner; uncle Mike and Sue Shumate; uncle Don and Patti Goodrich; uncle Jay Goodrich. Dan is also survived by many nieces. Dan was preceded in death by his mother, Stella Goodrich, his grandfather Edison Shumate and grandparents Oren and Francion Goodrich.

A Memorial Service was held at Duplain Church of Christ, St. Johns, MI, on Monday, October 23, 2023, with Matt Barnum officiating. Burial will take place at a later date at Duplain Township Cemetery, St. Johns, MI.

Memorials may be made to the wishes of the Goodrich Family. Online condolences can be sent to www.smithfamilyfuneralhomes.com. The family is being served by Smith Family Funeral Homes - Houghton Chapel, Ovid, MI.



A Little Common Sense

by Crystal Mitchell

How to start...just finished another mundane style week. Not too mundane, just fabulous at times.

For the past six weeks my slider has not locked and it was very hard to open or shut. My daughter's best friend's husband fixed it for me. This was a wahoo moment, though a bit on the minimal side compared to the fact that Randy also installed my new motion sensor porch lights. It is amazing to walk out onto the deck at six in the morning and being able to see the steps. As in no kittens or cats or other notable critters (like skunks, possums, or raccoon) on the steps to trip over. It is also wonderful to see the key slot in the door and not have to rely upon touch to get the key in place. These minor renovations have made my life simpler. Yup, I would call them a blessing.

Saturday evening I got to go to the Masquerade Party at the homestead. The theme was 'Haunted Farm' and there were many different costumes. The decor was fun. Not only colorful but macabre at times. The fun house that was created for the youngsters kept them thrilled. Plus they were able to grab a hand full of candy for each trek thru the tunnel of terror. The front yard was filled with pirates and a haunted ship, of course there were ghosts and grave yards in abundance. The flower garden at the bottom of the raised deck was filled with skeletons and grave sights plus the willow tree had swings filled with banshees guarded by a devil dog.

This is one of those weeks that I must have been having a laze about. I did get the buckets of vegetable debris removed from the deck and moved out to the back of the shed. The compost pile is growing but I am surprised that it is not decomposing quicker. Seems like it is just getting higher. That being said, I know that it will add some very good components to my garden area. As Tamoli said, my soil was abundantly rich for it had many different weeds. Of course what I planted mostly thrived well but per usual the weeds were bursting with energy. Someday I may have the perfect garden, as in weed free. Maybe that will happen when I minimize the size of the garden and the variety that I plant.

I finally replaced the kitty litter box, I need to have a couple of my cats in the house because I do live in the country and as there is a harsh change in weather the darn mice always seem to find a way into relative safety and warmth for the winter. Too bad that they are not polite enough to use the food dish, water dish and the litter box. They have a tendency to wreck havoc and create messes. The truth be told that I am messy enough and don't need their expertise in this area. So I brought Tiny Terror into the house and she was interested in the possibilities until she realized that Miss Prudence does not share her territory very well. Pru's private area seems to move as I move and extend from my person to encompass a six foot radius. This is not conducive to making Tiny Terror comfortable or happy. I had hoped to have both Tiny Terror and young Miss Thunder would be installed by now. I have just not been too successful yet.

I got to sleep in this morning. I was walking into MG's a few minutes after seven. I only needed to be there to fill a special order for pies. Of course I needed them to be cooled so that I could put them into pastry boxes for travel. The caramel apple ones were awesome and eye appealing, I was a bit disappointed in the other two, I know that they will taste fine but my ego was not pleased with their presentation. Egos can be very demanding.

I have had another good week and have my sights set for Saturday. I already have the cat carrier and blanket in the pick up so that I will be able to return them. I also have figured out what to make and take for the potluck dinner at the close of this year's Farmer's Market. It will give me a change to talk to our group. May God bless you with time to visit and share and enjoy your bounty.

Crystal Mitchell©2023



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BOO! ... There's Witches in the Air. But, We Don't Care
Dear Andy,

I love fall and decorating for Halloween. Carving pumpkins, roasted pumpkin seeds, baking, watching the leaves change colors and the wind blowing with vigor. It tickles me to answer my door on October 31st to see the children dressed in funny costumes, and scary faces and imitating their storybook or cartoon heroes...but it annoys me to no end when I see High School kids trick or treating, some not even dressed up. Should I send them away and tell them they are too old for such nonsense or just hand out candy like it grows on trees.

Old Neighbor Witch

Another, Dear Andy,

My teenagers want to go trick or treating and I think they are getting too old. What do I tell them or should I allow them to go. I hear people complain and I don't know if there is an age limit. My kids think you are right about some of the things you write, so I told them I was going to ask Andy. They said to go for it. What is your opinion on teenagers out in the streets for treats? Young mom

Dear Readers, young and older,

I love seeing teenagers come to my house. In fact, I give them the BiG full-sized candy bars. No matter someone's age, everyone likes candy and they are worth it. I do insist the teenagers say "Trick or Treat" and "Thank you." I also have special treats for the teenagers I know from the neighborhood. If they are not in costume, I try to guess who they are..... a salesman, a bum, a teenager, a ghost? I tell them they better dress up next time or they're only getting one candy bar next year. Tricked them...they only get one candy bar, anyway. Te he he he he.

Better than having them on the streets stealing candy or bullying the younger children out trick or treating. Or, breaking up pumpkins and covering their teacher's trees with TP. When my house was covered with TP, I sent my kids out to reroll it and make them use it. TP is expensive! Oh, now that's funny... especially if they don't get out all the pine needles.

If you really think your kids are too old, take them to a scary movie or have them set up a spook house for their friends, and plan a bonfire, after the witching hour. Most areas in our near-by towns have limited hours. Typically 5 to 7 or 6 to 8. Teenagers are just kids, too. Life is too short when you are young, help them plans to create fun teenage memory. In my opinion, nothing wrong if a teenager is having appropriate fun with friends on a scary night. Some VFWs, Lions Clubs, City Chambers, and Churches often have a trunk or treat. Some have costume contests and treats. See if your teen could help out with setup, games, or judging. Create situations for your teens. Not just on Halloween. They are still kids that need guidance.

Happy and Safe Halloween, The Neighborhood Witch... Which witch is which? ask_andy@aol.com.

Thank You

Letter to the Editor:

The Middlebury Harvest Dinner was a success. We appreciate the weekly promoting it and all the people who came to support it.

Nancy Watkins



The Weekly Sportsman

by Dan McMaster
theweeklysportsman@meridianweekly.com

Oregon Angler Cashes In

An unnamed Oregon resident earned \$107,800 for catching 10,755 Northern Pikeminnows while participating in the 2023 Sport Reward Program. Every year bounties are paid to reduce but not eliminate the population of Northern Pikeminnows as they prey on millions of salmon and steelhead juveniles. The event runs for five months from May through September and the 32 annual average harvest is 160,000. This year's harvest was just 4,000 below that average but participation was up by nearly 10% with almost 12,000 participants. The first 25 in one season are worth \$6 each; after 25, they're worth \$8 each; and after 200 they're worth \$10 each. As a bonus, Special tagged Northern Pikeminnow are worth \$200 - \$500.

If you are looking for a part time seasonal retirement job maybe spending summer on the Columbia and Snake River systems is the right ticket for you.

-WS

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Proposed Board Minutes from October 17, 2023

A special meeting of the Victor Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Conklin at 6:03 p.m. and the pledge to the flag was given.

Attendance: Roll Call: Fickes, Willoughby, Prange, Conklin, Townsend.

Absent: None. No citizens in attendance.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Prange to approve the October 17, 2023 agenda. Seconded by Willoughby. All in favor. Motion carried.

New Business:

The Board reviewed the 2023-2024 budget.

The Board discussed future improvements regarding the Township cemeteries, hall - kitchen, bathrooms, all flooring and acous cs.

The Township Supervisor will gather information to present to the board regarding the above improvements.

Motion by Conklin to adjourn at 7:33 p.m. Seconded by Willoughby. All in favor. Motion carried.

Lianne Prange
Victor Township Clerk

Sports



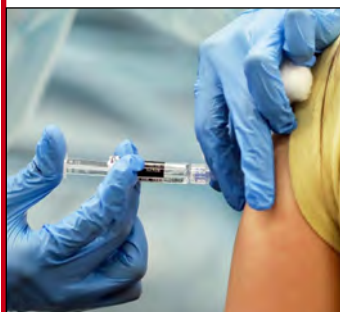
Robert Kebler bagged a 8-point-buck with a 12.5 inch spread on Saturday, October 21st north of Elsie with a crossbow.

Halloween at Clinton County Historical Museum

submitted by Kelly Jurman

Autumn and Halloween are in the air at the Clinton County Historical Museum! Take a peek at our creepy vintage Halloween decorations we have on display including rare papier-mâché bobble heads. Come and join us on Sunday afternoons from 1-4 PM or Wednesdays from 2-5 PM for a walk around the Museum and the General Store.

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Marauder Volleyball Team Enters MHSAA Post-Season at 14-17-1

OVID-ELSIE — The Lady Marauder varsity volleyball team, under first-year head coach Angela Ehle, wrapped up a solid 14-17-1 regular season (3-4 in the MMAC) and enters MHSAA District post-season play at St. Charles this week.

O-E drew a first-round bye and will play the winner of St. Louis and Hemlock. Chesaning drew the other bye and awaits the winner of St. Charles vs. Ithaca.

Meanwhile, at Byron on October 17, the host Eagles (29-7-3 overall, 7-0 MMAC) wrapped up their first league championship in volleyball in 18 years, stifling O-E 25-12, 25-13 and 25-18. Hailee Campbell led the Marauder with 3 aces, while other O-E leaders were Braeden Tokar with 6 kills, Hailee Campbell 5, Lilian Bates 5, Ellyanna Carman 2, Tava Kvalevog 2 and Kyden Ehle 1.

Kyden added 17 assists, Tokar 10 digs and Kvalevog 6 digs. Versus Freeland in regular-season tournament action on October 19, the Lady Marauders dropped a 23-25, 17-25 and 8-15 nod. Ovid-Elsie leaders were:

Aces: Lilian Bates 5, Hailee Campbell 2.

Kills: Hailee Campbell 7, Braeden Tokar 4, Ellyanna Carman 2, Lilian Bates 2.

Assists: Kyden Ehle 14.

Digs: Lilian Bates 10, Kyden Ehle 5, Hailee Campbell 5, Ellyanna Carman 4.

The October 19 tournament continued with a 5-25, 9-26 O-E setback to Traverse City St. Francis. Marauder leaders were:

Kills: Braeden Tokar 2, Ellyanna Carman 2.

Assist: Kyden Ehle 7.

Blocks: Kyden Ehle 1, Braeden Tokar 1.

Digs: Tava Kvalevog 5, Olyvia Coon 2, Kyden Ehle 2, Braeden Tokar 2, Hailee Campbell 2.

Tournament play on October 19 concluded for O-E with a 18-25, 23-25 loss to Bay City Central. Pacing the team were:

Aces: Kyden Ehle 3, Hailee Campbell 2, Ellyanna Carman 1, Lilian Bates 1.

Kills: Braeden Tokar 4, Ellyanna Carman 3, Tava Kvalevog 3, Hailee Campbell 2, Lilian Bates 2, Kyden Ehle 1.

Assists: Kyden Ehle 6.

Digs: Tava Kvalevog 9, Kyden Ehle 6, Braeden Tokar 6, Lilian Bates 5.



#8 Tava Kvalevog Passing from a send receive during the Freeland game on October 19th.



#11 Ellyanna Carman slamming the ball back over the net during the match up with Byron on October 17th.

Photos by Denise Burgess



OE #11 Clayton Fruchey scores a touchdown with a 61 yard pitch and catch.
Photo by Michelle Ladiski

Thrilling Marauder Football Victory Clinches Playoff Sport over Standish, 28-27

OVID-ELSIE — The host Marauders mounted two touchdown drives in the final 8:00, keeping their 2023 football season alive with a thrilling 28-27 victory over non-league Standish-Sterling at Mark O'Donnell Field.

Michael Bancroft snared a Tryce Tokar TD with :53 seconds left to play, and exchange student Pau Gifre connected on the most-important PAT kick of his young American football career, lifting O-E to 5-4 and into the MHSAA playoff picture — guaranteed.

Coach Travis Long's Marauders came out determined to throw the ball ... yet with limited success. Tokar completed just 37% of his aeriels — 16-for-43 — but the end result can't be argued, producing all four of the Marauder touchdowns.

"Our boys are a resilient group. We challenged them two weeks ago to finish with a winning season, and tonight they found it," explained O-E head coach Travis Long.

The contest roller-coasted between quarters, the 1st and 3rd going to Standish, the 2nd and — decisive — 4th stanza going to the Marauders.

Standish-Sterling scored first behind 230-pound running back Jacob Bartlett, who teamed with quarterback Brody Sullivan on Sterling's impressive 67-yard first drive, punctuated by a 33-yard reception by slotback Trace Collins from Sullivan.

Sullivan scored on a one-yard keeper moments later, after a long punt return by Collins to the O-E 13-yard line. The try for two failed, however, giving the Marauders some fuel.

They used it. Clayton Fruchey stepped on the gas on a 61-yard pitch-and-catch from Tokar, the last 35 yards on a sprint. Gifre booted the first of four crucial PATs and it was 13-7, visitors.

O-E got the ball back in the second quarter and continued throwing. Jamison Custer reeled in a 35-yard strike from Tokar with just :06 seconds left before intermission, and Ovid-Elsie's "Cardiac Kids" were showing up — despite faltering again in the 3rd quarter.

The Panthers owned the third period, on TD runs from 4 yards and one yard bullded in by Barlett and Sullivan, respectively. Both PAT kicks were true, with S and S seemingly in control at 27-14.

Not so fast. Tokar hooked up with a favorite target, Javin Belill on a 56-yard strike to the Panther 6 yard line. On 4th and 11, the Cardiac Kids struck again on Tokar's TD strike to Custer near the back line in the end zone.

Standish then coughed the ball up with O-E defensive leader Owen Long pouncing on the fumble. Tokar hit Custer with a 54-yard strike, setting up Bancroft's heroics to end the contest.

Ovid-Elsie abandoned the run game — literally — held to negative one yard on the ground. Tokar finished the game with a career-best 312 yards and four TDs passing. Fruchey was the Marauders' leading receiver. He finished with eight catches for 188 yards and one TD. Custer had four grabs for 58 yards and two scores.

Isaac Orta, Long, Custer, Cole Workman, Fruchey, Hunter Bates, Tokar, Carter Kelley, Brock Spitzley, Cohen Brown, Belill, Joe Bancroft, Braxton O'Bryant and Brady Risinger all recorded tackles for the Marauder defense.

O-E prepared for its first home playoff game in years, hosting the Ida Bluestreaks, also 5-4 in MHSAA Division 6 last Friday evening.

Sports



Wolfpack dominated the net during a recent game.
Photo by Burg Sports and more

Wolfpack Girls Enter MHSAA Post-Season Action at Leslie

LAINGSBURG — Veteran coach Kelsey Jones' Wolfpack varsity volleyball team entered MHSAA District post-season play October 30 at Leslie High School.

The Lady Wolves drew neighboring rival Perry as their first opponent, with Dansville facing Stockbridge in the other quarterfinal. The host Blackhawks and the Bath Bees drew byes into the semifinals of the tournament.

LHS entered the MHSAA tourney with the following team leaders:

Total kills / average kills per set: Bella Strieff - 343 / 3.5, Sophie Freeman - 205 / 2.03.

Total digs / average digs per set: Callie Clark - 298 / 3.14, Brynn Wilson - 271 / 2.68, Bella Strieff - 203 / 2.07, Ivy Collier - 118 / 1.27.

Total assists / average assists per set: Brynn Wilson - 516 / 5.12, Ivy Collier - 169 / 1.82.

Total aces / average aces per set: Brynn Wilson 98 / 0.97, Callie Clark - 47 / 0.49, Bella Strieff - 41 / 0.42, Sophie Freeman - 37 / 0.3, Ivy Collier - 34 / 0.37.

Total blocks / average blocks per set: Sophie Freeman - 30 / 0.3, Brynn Wilson - 21 / 0.21, Sophia Mikko - 15 / 0.18.

Marauder, Wolfpack Harriers Compete at Annual Shiawassee County Championships

CORUNNA — The host Cavaliers entertained harriers from around the local area at the annual Shiawassee County Cross-Country Championships.

Ovid-Elsie and Laingsburg x-country teams were well-represented. Corunna won the boys team title with 29 points while Owosso was first in the girls' competition with 19 points.

The Weekly area's top runner was Laingsburg sophomore Noah Devereaux, second in 16:45.8.

Clay Powell of Ovid-Elsie was sixth in the boys race at 17:38.2. The Marauder boys team finished a solid second with 86 points, while Laingsburg was third with 89 points.

In the girls race, Owosso's runners were followed by Corunna (second, 59), Laingsburg (third, 74), New Lothrop (fourth, 115), Ovid-Elsie (fifth, 116), Perry (sixth, 144) and Byron (seventh, 187).

Girls' individual times were not reported at press time Friday morning.

Friends of Hospice Hosts Annual Poinsettia Sale

submitted by Melissa Neuhaus

Owosso— The Memorial Healthcare Friends of Hospice is hosting their annual Poinsettia Sale. Plants can be pre-ordered November 1st – November 17th. Choose from five different poinsettia plants.

Pricing: 6" plants \$10; 8" plants \$25; Decorated wreaths \$25.

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Sports

Bear Season Ends in Mayville

by Ashleigh Shaw

Ashley traveled to Mayville in the last game of the regular season last week losing 66-14. The Bears had trouble with turnovers, having 4 interceptions on the night.

"We hung tight for about a quarter and a half then the wheels came off. Our receivers weren't reacting to the ball very well tonight. We have to get better at helping our quarterback and winning some 50/50 balls" said Coach Saylor.

Offense was at a minimum for the Bears, but quarterback Robert Kral did throw for 86 yards and had 43 yards rushing, while Jon Snider also rushed for 25. Kral also lead the defense with 10 tackles

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Wolfpack Still Makes MHSAA Post-Season After 30-7 Setback

ESSEXVILLE — The host Dukes returned the opening kickoff to pay dirt, then left little doubt about their chances at a winning prep football contest here October 20.

A resounding 30-7 non-league victory over coach Brian Borgman's Wolfpack still didn't dim Laingsburg's playoff chances, the Wolfpack slumping to 4-5 with their second-straight loss, while MHSAA Division 5 Garber improved to 5-4.

Sunday night the Wolves — shunned from the playoffs despite being CMAC champions with a 6-3 record a year ago — learned they would be making a return trip to play Bath, their longtime neighboring, league rivals. The MHSAA postseason opened last Friday evening on the Bees' home field, where LHS had won 17-6 on September 29.

Bath entered the playoffs at 6-3 overall.

At Essexville, Sawyer VanDorn fired up the home crowd with a 90-yard return on the opening kick, and though the Wolves stopped the two-point conversion try, the Dukes led 6-0.

LHS grabbed its only lead of the contest, still in the first quarter. Jack Borgman ran it in from four yards out, and Jack Audretsch's PAT kick made it 7-6.

After that, advantage all Dukes. They scored three consecutive TDs before the end of the third stanza, on a 20-yard pass from Everett Listerman, another 24-yard TD completion, and yet another 24-yard hookup, with VanDorn running in the two-pointer for a 30-7 final.

Wolfpack QB Lucas Matthews connected on 12-of-18 passes for 110 yards, five of those to senior WR Vance Klont for 46 yards. Wyatt Wagner (34 yards), Audretsch (25 yards), Borgman (15 yards) and Max Powers (12 yards) also caught passes for the red-and-white.

Borgman enjoyed a fine night rushing the ball, with 109 yards and a score on 13 carries. Powers added 17 yards on the ground and Matthews, 10.

Borgman, Wagner, Audretsch, Klont, Alex Forcier, Dylan Koenig and A.J. Dellvon all had tackles for the Wolf defense. Both teams ran 55 plays, with the Dukes holding a 328-268 advantage in total yardage.



GRIDIRON GURUS

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GRIDIRON GURUS

by Tom Turek
sports@meridianweekly.com

Wow.

The Guru never feels a need to apologize, but after Week 8 of our pugnacious pigskin perusal, he may just have to reconsider.

It was rough, folks. Several of our season leaders slumped to sub-.500 records for the slate, and the guru-ific Wolfman himself was a ho-hum 6-6. So much for the werewolf entering his favorite time of year — Halloween.

Whatever.

Week 8's toughest picks proved to be an Ivy League treat (Princeton over Harvard) and the Detroit Lions' bandwagon loss — brutally — at Baltimore.

Cathy Coe of St. Johns outdistanced everyone else (there were dozens of entries) with a 9-3 mark, good for a yummy Halloween pizza.

The Guru will be running the contest every week until the end of the regular college football season (no bowls), and including six picks in the NFL week.

It's simple, fast, easy to play and FREE. For those who play every week, there will be a winner's prize fund to be disbursed at the end of the season for whoever ends up picking the highest total of winners.

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For those of you that get your Weekly fix on line at the paper's website -- remember to email your picks to news@meridianweekly.com.

The Wolfman offers up these lyanthropic lollipops as his predicted winners: Clemson, Oklahoma, Texas, Missouri, UCLA, Michigan sans cell phone video, Chiefs, Saints, Vikes, Eagles, Giants, Bills.

Coaches please remember to send your results every week to be included in the Meridian Weekly! email to: news@meridianweekly.com or Tom Turek at tomturek20032003@yahoo.com

Nicole Triggs Named Memorial Healthcare October Employee of the Month

submitted by Melissa Neuhaus

Owosso, Michigan – Memorial Healthcare is pleased to announce Nicole Triggs, a Phlebotomist in the Laboratory department for being selected as our October Employee of the Month. Nicole has been employed with Memorial Healthcare since February 2015.

According to her nomination, “Nicole consistently demonstrates exceptional performance on a daily basis. Her friendly demeanor and positive attitude have made a significant impact on the team’s morale as well as the patients that she serves in the lab. Nicole is the first face that every patient sees when they come into the Laboratory department and uses this to start off each interaction in a positive way. Whether it is answering questions or actively seeking out solutions for patients, she goes above and beyond for each and every one. She is frequently requested by patients due to her skill, knowledge, and friendliness. Every time they are cared for by Nicole they leave with a smile on their face and give positive feedback about their experience. Nicole is an asset to her team and demonstrates a deep commitment to Memorial’s Values and Mission on a daily basis.”

Nicole lives in Owosso and is married with triplet boys. Her personal outlook is, “To be thankful and to stay positive.” Her goal is to continue learning and challenging herself every day. Nicole would like to be remembered as being helpful, kind, and considerate of others. On being honored as Memorial Healthcare’s Employee of the Month, Nicole is quoted as saying, “I am honored to receive the title of Memorial Healthcare Employee of the Month. I hope to continue to be an asset to the Laboratory team.”

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Date of Mortgage: April 27, 2022 Date of Mortgage Recording: April 28, 2022 Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$198,088.43 Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Charter Township of Watertown, Clinton County, Michigan, and described as: Commencing at a point on the South line of Section 6, Town 5 North, Range 3 West, Watertown Township, Clinton County, Michigan, which is 318.5 feet East of the South 1/4 post of said Section 6; thence East 200 feet on the South line of Section 6; thence North 300 feet; thence West 200 feet; thence South 300 feet to the point of beginning. Common street address (if any): 9440 W Howe Rd, Eagle, MI 48822-9501 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16). If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice.

This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: October 29, 2023 Trott Law, P.C. 31440 Northwestern Hwy, Suite 145 Farmington Hills, MI 48334 (248) 642-2515

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Clinton County, Michigan; thence North 391.20 feet along the West line of said Section to the point of beginning; thence North 295.00 feet along said West line; thence East 223.00 feet perpendicular to said West line; thence South 295.00 feet parallel with said West line; thence West 223.00 feet to the point of beginning. Commonly known as 1415 S. Bauer Road, Fowler, MI 48835 Property ID# 020-018-200-015-00 The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241, in which case the redemption period shall be 1 month, or under MCL 600.3241a 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days from the MCL 600.3241a (b) notice, whichever is later, or extinguished pursuant to MCL 600.3238. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. **ATTENTION HOMEOWNER:** If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice **ATTENTION PURCHASERS:** This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. This notice is from a debt collector. Dated: September 27, 2023 For more information, please call: (513) 852-6066 Daniel A. Cox Wood + Lamping, LLP Attorneys for Servicer 600 Vine Street, Suite 2500, Cincinnati, OH 45202 File 23-03011

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CLINTON COUNTY LEGALS

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KAREN L. ROWSE-OBERLE (P 41893) ATTORNEY FOR MORTGAGEE 24525 HARPER AVENUE ST. CLAIR SHORES, MI 48080 (586) 777-0770 Dated: 10-22-2023

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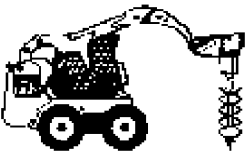
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7th grade Team: Easton Adams, William Baese, Toby Brown, Christian Chapko, Emma Collins, Cade Fabus, Eyaon Fabus, Brady Fabus, Bryce Fabus, Jaydon Ford, Todd Fox, Joey Kozlowski, Dallas Kusnier, Brady Latz, Gabe Lohr, River Minarik, Trey Palatka, Kal-El Pearce, Kane Pupava, Thayden Raish, Levi Stewart, Logan Strachota, Nick Topping, Eli Willbanks, Jaxon Wirt, Andrew Zimmerman. Coaches: Brian Topping, Jake Stewart, Ben Kozlowski, Rodney Palatka. Team Coordinator: Katie Topping



3rd/4th Gold Team: Russell Ackerman, Bentley Adams, Nolan Coleman, Jack Covert, Blayne Fabus, Luke Fabus, Payton Gruber, Collin Hammond, Kohl Jodway, Josh Klingbeil, Cade Miller, Triton Orth, Cruz Parkes-McCreery, Zeak Pearce, Conner Phillips, Elijah Pontack, Ryder Reha, Lukas Shearer, Kolten Shrader, Osmond Smith, Cedric Stollsteimer, Brayden Taylor, Dominic Williams. Coaches: Adam Coleman, TJ Phillips, Nate Taylor, Mike Klingbeil. Team Coordinators: Jennifer Taylor & Heather Williams



6th grade Team: Maxwell Baese, Dominic Benner, Paige Brown, Brandon Estrada, Levi George, Owen Hier, Levi Jones, Brennan Kuchar, Nolan Moore, Silas Pierce, Bentley Rademacher, Logan Scherer, Levi Smith, Gavin Thelen, Grayson Thelen, Gabe Thompson, Daniel Walter, Zander Williams. Coaches: Lance Thompson, Justin Hier, Corey Rademacher. Team Coordinator: Kim Spittler



8th grade Team: Evan Anderson, Braedyn Barnard, Leyton Belill, Nicholas Blacker, Caleb Cannon, Jaxon Chrenka, Carpenter Darling, Jacob Fabus, Joie Fabus, Maxon Fabus, Kellen Garcia, Landon George, Ashton Gilbert, Maverick Horak, Ethan Kimmel, Bryce Krueger, Mason Kurka, Walker Lover, Conor McClung, Carson Odenbaugh, Henry Remenar, David Schreiber, Urijah Sexton, Payton Stewart. Coaches: Dave Garcia, Jason Fabus, Zack Stewart, Andy Barnard. Team Coordinators: Sarah McClung & Charity Garcia



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